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The Honorable Julius Genachowski, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: LightSquared FCC Docket No. 11-109

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

I have written in the past to express my support of LightSquared, and the benefits that it proposes to bring to rural America, and in particular to rural Kentucky. I now write again today to bring to the attention of the FCC the good work that LightSquared has done in helping the emergency workers in Kentucky respond to the destruction caused by the tornadoes which swept through here over the past few days. These tornadoes have caused significant damage to Kentucky's infrastructure, and the damage will likely take months or years to clear completely.

LightSquared provided the emergency workers with satellite telephones, without which they could not have communicated with each other, because there is little or no cell phone service in much of the area hit by the tornadoes.

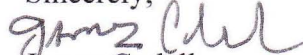
The work of LightSquared in helping our disaster workers is a reminder of how bad the situation is normally. I work with governments throughout Kentucky, and the goals of local government in Kentucky are the same as the goals of the FCC for rural America. The FCC has said that it supports universal broadband and cellular telephone coverage for rural America, and as someone who travels through rural Kentucky on an almost daily basis, you are correct that this is an important goal. LightSquared will market its services through a network of small retailers, which will provide jobs in the rural areas they serve, and will create competition in the market. We need to use all of our bandwidth in order to be competitive in today's economy. It is easy for a highway builder to understand: We need a bigger highway for our information. The only way to get that bigger highway is to use every bit of our spectrum resources. LightSquared has played by the rules here. It has had regulatory approval to take every step, and everyone has been on notice of exactly what LightSquared has been doing. If the GPS manufacturers, who now voice concerns about LightSquared's signals, had designed their equipment to exclude LightSquared's portion of the spectrum, the issue would never have arisen.

It appears that only LightSquared is in a position to help meet all of the FCC's goals without expending any taxpayer funds, or undercutting our economy in any way. In fact, LightSquared's

plan to market its services through independent dealers will both increase competition in the areas in which I work, but will help create jobs there as well.

LightSquared has shown by its actions in Eastern Kentucky this week that it cares about the people of rural America, and I ask the FCC to help LightSquared find some technological or engineering solution, perhaps through the use of other portions of the spectrum, to allow it to build its revolutionary new network. I believe that the problem can be solved, and that rural Kentucky will be better off with LightSquared's service. Thank you for allowing me once again to present my views.

Sincerely,



James Codell